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SUBJ: ENERGY: DTUCH OIL SUPPLY OUTLOOK

1. MINECON DIRGENWANSINK TOLD ECON/COMMERCIAL COUNSELOR
FEB 26 THAT WHILE DUTCH PETROLEUM SUPPLY SITUATION IS
CURRENTLY "MANAGABLE" HE FORESEES GROWING SHORTAGE OF
HIGHER DISTILLATES, MAINLY GASOLINE AND NAPHTHA, BY JUNE.
SINCE NAPHTHA DEMAND IS VIRTUALLY CONSTANT AND
GASOLINE DEMAND RISES SHARPLY STARTING IN MAY, GON WILL BE FACED ONCE
AGAIN WITH NEED TO RESTRAIN GASOLINE CONSUMPTION IN ORDER TO KEEP
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PETROCHEMICAL PLANTS OPERATING AT SATISFACTORY LEVEL. GASOLINE

PRICE INCREASE TO BE INTRODUCED MARCH 1 MAY HELP BUT ADDITIONAL RESTRAINTS WILL ALMOST CERTAINLY BE NEEDED. IN WANSINK'S VIEW IT WOULD BE POLITICALLY IMPOSSIBLE TO REINTRODUCE RATIONING SO SOON AFTER INTRODUCTION AND ABANDONMENT IN JAN BUT REIMPOSITION OF CARLESS SUNDAY IS DISTINCT POSSIBILITY.

2. AS OF NOW THERE ARE NO REAL RESTRAINTS ON GAS CONSUMPTION AND ALL STATIONS ARE OPERATING NORMALLY WITH NO QUEUES. PRESENT SITUATION IS IN FACT SO COMFORTABLE THAT DUTCH HAVE EVEN CONSIDERED POSSIBILITY OF MAKING MODEST QUANTITIES OF GAS AVAILABLE TO US EAST COAST AS SYMBOL OF GRATITUDE FOR US OFFER TO HELP HOLLAND LAST NOVEMBER. WANSINK DOES NOT BELIEVE HOWEVER THAT ANYTHING WILL COME OF THIS RATHER LIGHTEARTED PROPOSAL. GOULD

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